



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held November 4, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

“On September 30, 2003 at 10:00 p.m. Jose Contreras, who was only 17 years old, was shot and killed, only two blocks from his home. The shooting occurred next to the bus stop between Budlong Avenue and Van Buren Avenue. Jose was shot in the back as he and a friend passed by the suspect. No words had been exchanged and investigators do not believe the shooting was gang related. The second victim was shot several times. Neither victim was involved with gangs or dressed in typical gang attire. This was a senseless and unprovoked attack and investigators need your help to bring the suspects to justice.

“Jose had his entire life ahead of him. He attended Leuzinger High School in the City of Lawndale. Jose left behind two sisters, his mother and father.

“The suspect is described as a black male, approximately 18 years old, light skinned, approximately 5’5” - 5’10” tall, medium to slender build. He was wearing dark, loose fitting pants, with red and white shirt over a white t-shirt and white tennis shoes. His hair was approximately one inch in length in a loose curl.”

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried, the Board established a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the murder of 17-year-old Jose Contreras who was shot and killed two blocks from his home located in the 1200 block of West Imperial Highway, between Budlong Ave. and Van Buren Ave., in the City of Los Angeles, on Tuesday, September 30, 2003 at approximately 10:00 p.m.

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Copies distributed:

- Each Supervisor
- District Attorney
- Sheriff
- Chief Administrative Officer
- County Counsel
- Auditor-Controller
- Los Angeles County Sheriff's
Homicide Bureau

**NOTICE OF \$5,000 REWARD
OFFERED BY THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles is offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the murder of 17-year-old Jose Contreras who was shot and killed two blocks from his home located in the 1200 block of West Imperial Highway, between Budlong Ave. and Van Buren Ave., in the City of Los Angeles, on Tuesday, September 30, 2003 at approximately 10:00 p.m.

Any person having any information related to this crime is requested to call the Sergeant Alec MacArthur at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Homicide Bureau at (323) 890-5500 and refer to Report No. 003-09600-0375-011.

The terms of the reward provide that:

- The information given that leads to the determination of the identity, the apprehension and conviction of any person or persons must be given no later than February 2, 2004. All reward claims must be in writing and shall be received no later than April 2, 2004.
- The total County payment of any and all rewards shall in no event exceed \$5,000 and no claim shall be paid prior to conviction unless the Board of Supervisors makes a finding of impossibility of conviction due to the death or incapacity of the person or persons responsible for the crime or crimes.
- The County reward may be apportioned between various persons and/or paid for the conviction of various persons as the circumstances fairly dictate.

Any claims for the reward funds should be filed no later than April 2, 2004 with the Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors, 500 West Temple Street, Room 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Los Angeles, California 90012, Attention: Jose Contreras Reward Fund. For further information, please call (213) 974-1747.

Si no entiende esta noticia o si necesita mas informacion, favor de llamar a este numero (213) 974-1747.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES